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ALL OF THESE SOCIETIES have their headquarters in the building of the American Unitarian Association, 25 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass. The names of the principal officers of each society will be found on the first pages of the sections devoted to their respective organizations. The work and purpose of these societies may be stated in brief as follows:

THE AMERICAN UNITARIAN ASSOCIATION

THE ASSOCIATION was founded in 1825, its object being "to diffuse the knowledge and promote the interests of pure Christianity." In furtherance of this purpose the Association publishes books, reports, and tracts; supports missionaries; establishes and maintains churches, and aids in supporting ministers; assists students in preparing for the ministry; and helps fellow-citizens of foreign birth and speech in entering upon their American life. It administers endowments for the benefit of schools and churches of the Unitarian order; for the relief of poor and worthy ministers and the widows of ministers; for providing public lectures in centers of population; for the benefit of schools for colored people in the South; and for many other beneficent purposes.

THE ALLIANCE OF UNITARIAN WOMEN

THE ALLIANCE was organized in 1890, and has for its aims primarily to quicken the religious life of the Unitarian churches, and to bring the women of the denomination into closer acquaintance, co-operation and fellowship; to promote local organizations of women for missionary and denominational work; to bring them into helpful association; to collect and disseminate information regarding all matters of interest to the denomination, such as needs of local societies, facilities for meeting these needs, work to be done, the collection and distribution of money, and in general to devise ways and means for the most efficient usefulness of the women of the Unitarian fellowship.

THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S RELIGIOUS UNION

THE UNION was organized in 1896, and its purposes are to foster the religious life; to bring the young people of the Unitarian churches into closer relations with one another; and to spread rational views of religion and to put into practice such principles of life and duty as tend to uplift mankind. The cardinal principles of the Union are truth, worship and service. It maintains a field secretary to promote the organization of the young people and to extend the fellowship of the Union.

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Ministerial Personals

Rev. Charles A. Humphreys died at Pittsburgh, Pa., on November 22d, in his eighty-third year.

Calls have been accepted by Rev. A. H. Winn to Peterboro, N.H., Rev. E. A. Robinson to Palo Alto, Calif., Rev. W. A. Tuttle to Norton, Mass., and Rev. C. A. Drummond to Channing Church, Newton, Mass.

Rev. P. S. Phalen has resigned at Augusta, Me., to accept a call to West Newton, Mass.

Rev. Alfred Gooding has resigned at Portsmouth, N.H., after a ministry of thirty-seven years.

Installations

The chief thing to report in the last number of WORD AND WORK was the rush of church building which marked the preceding summer and fall. For November the outstanding occurrence is the number of installations that have taken place. Rev. G. L. Parker was installed at Newton Centre, Mass., on November 20th; Rev. J. B. H. Tegarden at New Orleans, La., on November 25th; Rev. G. Gilmour at Denver, Col., on November 27th; Rev. A. Schoenfeldt at Charleston, W. Va., on December 1st; Rev. H. Taylor at Wheeling, W. Va., on December 2d; Rev. R. F. Nye at Exeter, N.H., on December 11th; Rev. F. W. Holden at Rockland, Mass., on December 12th; Rev. N. A. Baker at Keene, N.H., on December 13th; and Rev. H. Lutz at Sanford, Me., on December 16th. Messrs. Nye, Taylor, and Tegarden are recent graduates at Meadville, who are assuming their first pastorates in our fellowship. The others are men who have rendered honorable service in other fields. Dr. Eliot preached the sermon at the installations at Exeter and Sanford; Dr. Simons took part in the services at New Orleans, Wheeling, Charleston, Rockland, Exeter, and Keene; and Mr. Cornish in the service at Newton.

Church Extension Department

The Secretary of the Department has just finished an encouraging trip into the South. There was first an opportunity to speak on the Membership Campaign at the organization meeting of the Metropolitan District Conference on November 20th. This Conference will help greatly to advance our cause in the New York district.

A brief call was made upon our small but loyal groups of Unitarian people at Lynchburg and Roanoke. In these places we have begun an advance into the conservative South. Our societies are but loosely organized, but the torch of liberalism is kept lighted. A visit was made to our newly organized church at Knoxville, Tenn. Already the able leadership of Dr. and

Mrs. Scott is bringing most gratifying results. Our church is now regarded as a permanent institution, which means an added interest and respect.

At New Orleans our church is putting on a new strength. The Secretary had the privilege of preaching the installation sermon at the installation and ordination of Rev. J. B. H. Tegarden. He is already renewing the life of the church in all departments.

At Memphis on Sunday morning, November 27th, the sermon was preached by the Secretary in a movie theatre to about one hundred and fifty people. The names of fifteen new members of the church were read, and later reports indicate an increase of thirty-one members since Easter.

An address was made in Nashville to our church people and their friends. Here a small company of people, well housed in its own church home, is developing substantial strength.

At Charleston the sermon at the installation of Rev. Arthur Schoenfeldt was preached in a hotel parlor. Our movement here will have to be reorganized from the ground up. A resident minister, however, will bring to our Unitarian people a leadership which they have not enjoyed for some time.

Our church at Wheeling, W. Va., is renewed in hope and resolution. The installation sermon on December 2d was preached by the Secretary for Rev. Harry Taylor. A new confidence was plainly manifest that Wheeling has the capacity for a Unitarian church.

Department of Religious Education

The chief event of the last month of 1921 was the opening of the new Headquarters at 21 East 38th Street, New York City, with Mr. Edwin Fairley stationed there as an Associate Secretary of this Department in charge of the interests of religious education. The workers in the schools of that section are beginning to consult him about materials and methods to use in their schools, and there is good prospect, he says, that before long the New York office will become the same sort of clearing-house and hive of fruitful and energizing work as is the Boston office.

Mr. Fairley has spoken before the Alliance at Flushing, N.Y., preached the Thanksgiving sermon in All Souls Church, Manhattan, addressed a Parents' Meeting at Ridgefield Park, N.J., and preached at Tom's River and Trenton, N.J. He was also invited to speak before the Jamaica High School in which he taught before coming into this Department, where he received a warm welcome.

Dr. Buck has given four Sundays to a survey of the church school of the old First Parish at Hingham, Mass., has given an address before the Alliance of the Second Church, Boston, and preached at Springfield, Mass. Dr. Lawrance has visited the schools in the Second Church, Brookline, the Second Church and Bulfinch Place Church, Boston, and First Parish in Cambridge.

The Superintendents' Conferences are held once each month in Boston in connection with the Sunday School Union meetings and are well attended. A similar luncheon-conference of Superintendents was held in New York, December 10th, and proved so profitable that it will be continued once a month for the rest of the season.

The big project of the Department is a Training School for Teachers, to prepare those who will teach in our schools to do better work and to accept paid positions. The school will assemble in the Department offices once each week for sixteen weeks, on Wednesdays, from 5.10 to 6 and from 7 to 8.15. There will be three periods, with lectures on the Bible and on the social applications of religion; on such teaching methods as telling stories for religious instruction, the art of questioning, lesson assignments, dramatization, and expressional work in and

out of class. The last half-hour will be given to departmental work, with instruction relating to the books of the Beacon Graded Course. The fee for the school is $2. Certificates will be given to members who complete the work to the satisfaction of the instructors.

Department of New Americans
Cont. from Dec.

From Hanska the Secretary went to Virginia, Minn., where he met Mr. and Mrs. Lappala and several of the officers and trustees of the church. Conditions in Virginia so far as the church is concerned improve steadily year by year. Mr. and Mrs. Lappala are wielding an ever widening influence. Besides their work here, Mr. and Mrs. Lappala have successfully carried on the church at Angora-Cook, thirty miles to the north of Virginia, and have also established preaching stations at Idington and Hibbing. The former is a farming community like Angora, and the latter is a thriving young city, the rival of Virginia. Both of these centers are as yet little more than prospects, but there is a strong liberal sentiment among the Finns.

There is also a very interesting movement among the English-speaking people of Virginia, which has resulted in the organization of the People's Church. The congregation was gathered some two years ago under the leadership of the Rev. Henry Clark. Sunday services have been held in a theater, and the congregation has become one of the largest in the city. This fall the church voted to ask for fellowship in the Western Conference. Of course the application was granted and thus the second Unitarian church of Virginia has come into existence. Miss Taft of the Religious Education Department has reorganized the church school, and other interesting developments may be expected. Lots on the main street have been given for the church, but it is not likely that building will be begun this winter.

In Winnipeg the Secretary found the First Church, Icelandic, in the midst of a pleasant excitement. As has been noted in these columns, the Liberal Icelandic Lutheran congregation, known as the Tabernacle Church, voted by a very large majority to unite with the Icelandic Unitarian church. The accession of so many new members crowded the old church to the doors. As the site is becoming very valuable and is at some distance from the Icelandic center of population, it was deemed wise to take steps to sell the property. With this in view another location has been secured and a new church is now in the process of erection. The new lot is large enough for the church, parish house, and parsonage, though at present only the church is being built. This is a pleasing structure of brown brick with limestone trimmings. The basement will be arranged to meet the necessities of the social life of the church, and above it is the auditorium to seat four hundred people. Church and lot will cost about $35,000. The present minister of the church is Rev. Rögnvaldur Pétursson, who visited Iceland this summer and fortunately secured two ministers, graduates of the liberal Divinity School of the Reykjavik University. One of these will be installed as minister of the Winnipeg church, and the other will have the charge of the three Unitarian churches in the Icelandic settlements along the shore of Lake Winnipeg, thus setting Mr. Pétursson free to attend to much-needed work among his countrymen in other parts of Canada and the United States. This increase in the staff of our Icelandic ministry has been sadly needed for several years. Now we may hope that work will go forward in several centers, which have been asking repeatedly for our services. The Secretary did not visit this year the parishes in charge of Rev.

Mr. Kristjansson, our most northern missionary, but he did have an interview with him in Winnipeg. Mr. Kristjansson carries on a most self-sacrificing work, driving many miles in all weathers to hold services in remote settlements. Many more calls come to him than he is able to answer, but he does reply to the limit of his time and strength. He preaches on alternate Sundays in his regular parishes on Shoal Lake and Mary Hill; three or four times a year he makes long journeys to the North and answers such calls as he can for weddings, burials, and christenings.

Altogether the Secretary had a most satisfactory journey, and found the churches which he visited in a more prosperous condition than has ever been his fortune to see them.

The Wayside Pulpit

The new Wayside Pulpit sheets for January, February, and March have been mailed to all subscribers and should be received by New Year's Day. From the first of the year till Easter (about the middle of April) the churches of our fellowship will be coöperating in the Membership Campaign. As this Campaign is a very definite endeavor to reach new people, the Wayside Pulpit is an important implement in the hands of our churches.

Every church which has not yet installed a Wayside Pulpit should delay no longer. The effectiveness of this means of reaching "the man on the street" has been abundantly proved.

Word and Work

Publication Department

From time to time we receive from our subscribers suggestions for changing the character of this publication. Perhaps a few words of explanation will remind the readers of just what this bulletin attempts to do.

WORD AND WORK is the monthly report of the activities of three national Unitarian societies: the American Unitarian Association, The Alliance, and the Young People's Religious Union. It endeavors to give a brief summary of the field work accomplished in the previous month and the important places for the near future. In order to give as much information on these subjects as possible in a limited space, it is necessary to condense the material to the minimum. Therefore all embellishments are eliminated.

This magazine is circulated largely among the ministers, Y. P. R. U. officers, Alliance presidents and secretaries, and to others who are sufficiently interested to pay the modest subscription fee, and who cannot conveniently subscribe to a more elaborate publication. Committees have been several times appointed to consider the advisability of combining our publications, but each time they have reported that they believed that each supplied a particular need in the separate fields which would not be so adequately met by amalgamation.

THE BEACON PRESS desires to express sincere appreciation to patrons for the generous patronage that has made this year the best since our organization. We hope that we may have the opportunity to serve a still greater number in the future, and we extend the most cordial regards and best wishes to every one at this holiday season.

The Alliance of Unitarian and Other Liberal Christian Women

Headquarters: Room 10, 25 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass.

Miss Lucy Lowell, *President* — Mrs. Caroline S. Atherton, *Recording Secretary*

Mrs. Lucia Clapp Noyes, *Treasurer* — Mrs. Robert H. Davis, *Corresponding Secretary*

Fellowship Prayer

We come to Thee, our Father, with all our yearning and striving. In the stress and strain of life may we seek the calm and quiet of Thy presence; in our restless, dissatisfied activity may we remember Thy faithfulness and constancy; in weariness and weakness may we hold close to Thee, the source of all true strength. When we rebel against the pettiness of the appointed routine, may we remember that we stand on holy ground. When we are quick to criticise and condemn, save us from ourselves, O our God; when we are easily irritated and provoked, touch us with Thy spirit of tranquillity. May we see the value of our lives in the light of Thine eternal purpose, and so give ourselves day by day to serene, joyous, lifelong loyalty to Thy holy leadership and to more faithful service of our fellow-men.

[This is the Fellowship Prayer for 1922, which will be sent by the central committee to every Fellowship member.]

To Unitarian Women

Mrs. Bernard Allen, the new President of the British League, in her first annual letter to the branches utters a message which will be appreciated by Alliance women. Mrs. Allen is the one who initiated and administered the Belgian Hospital Fund. For her great service so rendered Mrs. Allen was presented by the Belgians with membership in the Order of Queen Elizabeth, and made a Chevalier of the Order of Leopold, an honor which at that time only two or three women had shared. Mrs. Allen says:

Dear Fellow-Members,—There has never been a time since the foundation of our League when it has been more needed than at present. We are essentially a body of women and girls bound together by common religious beliefs and by a common desire to express those beliefs in work for the good of the world. The League offers us an organization by which we are able to do this more efficiently than we could do if we worked only as individual societies or units. But this organization will only be healthy and in good working order if the individuals who compose it are healthy. It is not enough to exercise body and brain; the soul demands its share of exercise, and must have it. The religious meetings of the League are most helpful towards this end; for a true spirit of devotion is produced when a group of women meet for a quiet religious service. These services undoubtedly help us to obtain "a heart at leisure from itself." But we must not stop there. There is a danger that such feelings may become merely religious sentiments if they are not translated into action. We want to be able to go back to the world strengthened and invigorated by such services, and to feel eager to pass on to others those benefits which we have ourselves received.

Standing on this firm base, there is no limit to what our League might accomplish. If we could get all Unitarian women to join hands and work together, what a power for good we might be!—not only to help in every possible way to build up our own churches, but also to be able to speak to the outside world, with no uncertain voice, *as Unitarian women,* on all subjects which concern our lives as citizens, on questions relating to the health and well-being of women and

children and the home generally—on social evils and their remedy—on the questions arising from the heavy but welcome duties laid upon women as a result of the extension of the franchise.

After all, it is the inner life of the individual member that we must look to for our motive power. If her light burns clear and strong, it will irradiate her home life, her business life, her church life, her civic life, and make it all one glorious whole. A League composed of thousands of such women could be a vital force in the world.

Yours truly,

ROSE ALLEN.

Lest We Forget the Hungarian Children

Alliance women can heed no more appealing call for help than that of the Transylvanian refugees in Budapest. Untold good has been accomplished with the money so generously contributed last winter, and the lives of many children have been saved. While the churches here are adopting Transylvanian churches, The Alliance may well continue to rescue the lives of those who should before long make up the churches in that unhappy land.

We are most fortunate in having the Rev. Frederick Hankinson in Budapest still, to transmute the money sent by the British League and The Alliance into life and some degree of comfort. He has long known and loved the Hungarians and he understands the wisest methods of modern relief work.

The bankers of the city, though not Unitarians, contributed a large sum in appreciation of this relief work. Visitors to the city have said: "Mr. Hankinson is teaching higher standards of living, especially in regard to child welfare." Prime Minister Bethlen officially opened one of the temporary homes for the refugee wagon dwellers, and his sister, who is actively interested in relief work, has sent warm appreciation of the good being done by our money. So the British League and The Alliance stand for genuine service among all classes of people in that distant land.

Mrs. Allen, President of the British League of Unitarian Women, who transmits our money, sends on this report, which tells its own story of the sufferings among the refugees:

"The crèche is a great success still. *Only* 390 families are now in wagons, including 936 under sixteen years. The exchange is 4500 Kronen to £1 (about 1,100 to the dollar, as again t 500 last year, and 5 in normal times), so a bad winter is before these poor folk. I am amazed how far Mr. Hankinson makes the money go.

"Food has been bought for the Students' Home (for refugee Unitarian boys who were homeless), as no fire is provided Sundays, when they are at home all day. Preparations are being made for a Christmas tea and treat for 300 children from the Unitarian Church and the refugees.

"Two middle-class cases are now on hand,—an old retired Unitarian minister and his wife and an old professor and his wife. Money is given to these cases.

"There are now seven Unitarian children in the Tuberculosis Sanatorium,—one case very serious, the others probably curable."

Items from Mr. Hankinson's diary show even more clearly the character of his work: *Nov. 1,*—17 children, 8 women, given clothing, milk, and soap. Young mother helped with money. *Nov. 2,*—4 children, clothing, milk, soap. *Nov. 3,*—a boy came and said he was a student. He was sent to the Students' Christian Union. Result, he was not a student but engaged in work at a fair wage, but had paid his fees as a student in order to get the help given!! *Nov. 4,*—5 women, 8 children, 2 men, 1 tuberculosis case, given

clothing, milk, and soap. 10 or 12 cases of coming babies supplied with flannel for outfit. *Nov. 5,*—Clothing and milk for sick man, extra food for student in hospital, 19 children dealt with, mostly wagon dwellers. *Nov. 10,*—Minister of Public Welfare visited Students' Home and was delighted with its cleanliness and homeliness. *Nov. 11,*—2 children, 2 women, clothing. Unitarian student in Home supplied with extra food, cocoa, milk, etc. *Nov. 12,*—One middle-class case, small cheque, Unitarian magistrate refugee with very sick child. *Nov. 13,*—Took new suit to boy in Tuberculosis Sanatorium. All our cases doing well. *Nov. 14,*—4 children, clothing, boots for 2. *Nov. 15,*—New tuberculosis child to Sanatorium, boots and clothing given. *Nov. 16,*—Student returned from Tuberculosis Sanatorium, picture of health, big and fat, great rejoicings in the Home. This Transylvanian refugee boy owes his life to the Fund. *Nov. 17,*—2 children, 2 women, 1 crippled man, given clothing. An old Channing House girl came for money to buy an overcoat for her husband, a tuberculosis subject.

Mr. Hankinson's church in London with fine spirit gives him to this great work another winter. But these lives cannot be saved unless we send more money. The British women with greater demands than we have, and heavier taxes, gave almost as much as we have done. Will you not repeat your gift of last year? If every Unitarian woman will give a dollar, or as much more as she can spare, we shall reach the generous sum of last winter, saving and blessing many in need these winter days.

Previously acknowledged	$2,538.37
Friend	5.00
Eugene, Ore., Alliance	5.00
Miss M. A. Tiffany	5.00
Miss M. B. Fessenden	5.00
Mrs. H. F. Vickery	15.00
Erie, Pa., Alliance	22.25
Mrs. C. E. Woodbridge	25.00
Miss L. Lowell	25.00
Miss M. Sage	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. P. Keyes	20.00
Stoneham Alliance	5.00
Mrs. Chaffee	1.00
Randolph Alliance	1.00
First Parish Sewing Circle, Brookline	50.00
Somerville Alliance	5.00
Mr. W. H. Aborn	5.00
Melrose Alliance	5.00
Medfield Alliance	5.00
Miss A. Willis	15.00
Mrs. R. Lawson	50.00
Friend	1.00
Staten Island, N.Y., Sunday-school, June, July, August, September, October, November Pledges	36.00
Miss M. Palmer	2.00
	$2,847.62

Contributions may be sent to me at the Ranelegh, Beacon and Mountfort Streets, Boston 17, Mass.

MARTHA EVERETT ST. JOHN.

Executive Board

The 334th meeting was held Friday, December 9, Miss Lowell presiding. Twenty-nine were present from New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and New Jersey, including two branch presidents.

The Treasurer's statement showed a promising response to the call issued by the President for subscribers for WORD AND WORK. In addition to the money sent in for membership fees and the listed Appeals, money has been received and forwarded to the Rev. Georges S. Kukhi, Cairo.

The following names have been placed *in memoriam:* Miss Mary Ingersoll Locke by the Chestnut Hill Branch; Mrs. Helen Kittredge Russell, Walpole, N.H., by the Waverley Branch; Miss Emma S. Farnsworth, Peterboro, N.H., by the Fitchburg Branch; Mrs. Edmund Q. S. Osgood and Mrs. James M. Tyler by the Brattleboro, Vt., Branch; Miss Elizabeth W. Silsbee by the Branch of the Second Church, Salem, Mass.

Miss Lowell, after the devotional

service, called particular attention to the Membership Campaign and mentioned a recent meeting of the Greater Boston churches under the auspices of the Campaign Committee, which was a true revival. Each branch must determine its part in the campaign for new church members in close coöperation with its own church. Every one is urged to feel the deep personal responsibility of asking people to join our churches. Speakers who will present the subject may be obtained upon application to Mr. Isaac B. Stevens at Unity House, 7 Park Square, Boston, Mass.

The Library Committee is most anxious to increase the serviceableness of the library and to keep the shelves supplied with the books our readers want to borrow. Suggestion is made to branches that they contribute small sums of money for the purchase of new books and also that they make the library better known. Catalogues will be sent on application to 25 Beacon Street, Boston. One or two branches have the habit of making annual gifts to the library. It is to be borne in mind that this is a specialized collection of books: religious, educational, philanthropic.

The Southern Circuit Committee reported that an organ has been sent to Bear Creek, N.C. This has been very much needed, as the singing of hymns plays so large a part in the service. A piano which has been sent to Swansboro, N.C., by the New York League, will be greatly appreciated.

Mrs. Clara B. Beatley, for the Sunday-School Committee, announced that "Bedtime Talks and Prayers" by Mrs. Clifford B. Hastings of the committee on Religion in the Home, is about to be printed.

Mrs. John C. Trefts, Pierce Avenue, Hamburg, N.Y., succeeds Miss Langdon as director for Western New York.

Suggestive reports were received from Southern States East and West, and from six Massachusetts directors.

CAROLINE S. ATHERTON,
Recording Secretary.

Committee on Young People

The secretary of this Committee had the pleasure of attending a dinner given by the Concord, N.H., Juniors last month. One of the girls had made attractive place-cards for the occasion. About seventeen members were present and four older friends, and every one had a good time.

Will all Junior secretaries please send a letter of greeting to another Junior Alliance lately organized in Dorchester (Third Religious Society)? The officers are as follows: Pres., Miss Elsie Sheinker; Sec., Miss Janet Hawkesworth, 1078 Adams Street, Dorchester, Mass. There are nine girls in this new group, and their leader is Mrs. Arthur E. Wilson.

Word has come recently from three Junior Alliances who are all doing good work.

Berlin, Mass. This group is greatly enjoying its "Friendly Link" in England. Photographs have been exchanged, and when the English girl wrote of a sale they were going to have, the Berlin Juniors sent her an article for it. They are now busy making a variety of simple things for their table at the senior Alliance fair.

Brookfield, Mass., now has over thirty members. In October they held a Hallowe'en Carnival to raise money for their winter's work. Eighteen baskets were decorated and filled with goodies, and sent to shut-ins for Thanksgiving.

Bridgewater, Mass. These Juniors are having a very successful year, and thus far have raised $60 from a Food Sale, and by selling Hallowe'en favors and chocolate. They supplied the

flowers for church decoration at Thanksgiving, which were afterwards sent to shut-ins. They, too, are making articles for their senior Alliance fair, and are planning to send a large and well-filled basket to some needy family at Christmas. They have appropriated a sum of money for repairs on the church organ.

Manual Notes

Will branch officers note the following changes or additions: MASSACHUSETTS, Billerica, *Rec. Sec.*, Mrs. F. F. Collier, *Cor. Sec.*, Mrs. O. M. Snell; Milton, Evening Committee, *Chairman*, Miss Aimee Draper, Canton Ave. and White St. NEW YORK, Niagara Falls, *Sec.*, Mrs. J. Allen Johnson, 815 Chilton Ave.; Rochester, *Pres.*, Mrs. H. M. Glover, 268 Brunswick St. MICHIGAN, Ann Arbor, *Pres.*, Mrs. E. R. Sunderland, 1510 Cambridge Road. CALIFORNIA, Berkeley, *Sec.*, Mrs. Henry Miller, 2038 Vine St.; San Francisco, *Pres.*, Mrs. Albert Lyser, 1261 Broadway. The branch at Dighton, Mass., has reorganized, *Pres.*, Mrs. Charles W. Cole; *Sec.*, Mrs. Robert Phillips, Segreganset; *Treas.*, Mrs. Elliott F. Walker.

News from the Branches

Highland Springs, Va. Our sister branches have been very generous in answering our request for articles for our Christmas sale. These contributions have all been acknowledged, but I must include in this report an expression of our sincere gratitude for the help we have received. Rev. Frank W. Pratt of Richmond preaches at our church every Sunday afternoon and we realize how fortunate we are to have his services.

Charleston, S.C. The Charleston Branch is stronger in numbers and in enthusiasm than it has been for a number of years. In the spring of the present year there was a union of the two women's organizations. The Social Sewing Society, which was organized ninety-eight years ago by the wife of Rev. Samuel Gilman, at that time pastor of the church, accepted an invitation extended to them by the Helping Hands to unite with them, that the work of the women might become more effective. It was decided that both organizations should drop their existing names and that the large and much stronger society should be called the Charleston Branch of The Alliance. The Junior Alliance, which was organized during the year, became heir to the name Helping Hands.

Knoxville, Tenn. Organized 1921, 23 members, meetings every Friday. The first Friday we sew for charities, the second Friday is our business meeting, religious intelligence, and program. Subject for the year, History of Unitarianism in America, with George Willis Cooke's book for reference. Nine meetings have been planned, with no difficulty in getting members to take the subjects. The third Friday is another all-day sewing meeting at the Red Cross health center, where our *good* work is much appreciated. The fourth Friday is given to talks on local charities by their workers. The secretary of the Associated Charities is one of our members. Two members are presidents of large influential clubs, the Ossoli Circle and the Knoxville Branch of the American Association of University Women.

New York League

The first board meeting of the season, October 28, was largely attended. Dr. Samuel A. Eliot spoke of the new headquarters and asked for the cooperation of the League. A resolution in favor of limitation of armaments was unanimously adopted and sent for endorsement to the 25 branches of which the League is composed.

At the open meeting of the League held at All Souls' Church, New York, November 4, a collection of $65 was

taken for Carolina Schools, the appeal being presented by Mrs. Emile Glogau.

Tribute was paid by Mrs. John W. Sargent to the late Mrs. N. J. Bishoprick, and a committee was appointed to prepare a page for the records in memory of Mrs. Bishoprick's life and her work for the League.

The President, Mrs. Edgar S. Wiers, spoke eloquently of the early history of All Souls' Church, including its gift of money which had been laid aside for a tower on the church, to help finance the Sanitary Commission at the time of the Civil War. The speaker of the day, Mr. Raymond B. Fosdick, emphasized the great need of a league of nations and set forth vividly the horrors of modern war. The nations must stop war or war will destroy civilization

The next meeting, Friday, January 13, 1922, will take the form of a luncheon at Hotel Astor at 1 P.M. Mrs. Alfred Robinson is chairman of the committee of arrangements.

New England Associate Alliance

The New England Associate Alliance will meet Thursday, January 19, at the First Parish Church, Dorchester. The subject of the day will be Social Service. At the morning session at 10.30, Mrs. Arthur T. Brown of Wollaston will speak for the Social Service Committee of The Alliance, Mrs. George H. Root of Winchester for the Social Service Council of Unitarian Women, and Mrs. John L. Murdoch, Jr., will tell of the work with Italians at Montpelier, Vt. Mr. John Burnet Nash of New York will speak of the social service of the Laymen's League. There will be a speaker for the Carolina Industrial School. The address of the afternoon will be given by Rev. Frederick R. Griffin of Philadelphia.

Monday Conference

The subject of the January meeting to be held Tuesday, January 3, at 10.30 A.M., at 25 Beacon Street, Boston, will be Our Young People. The speakers will be Miss Adeline B. Pfleghaar and Miss Helen Tufts. Mrs. Oscar C. Gallagher will preside.

To Be Noted

At the December meeting of the Monday Conference, after an inspiring address by Rev. Minot Simons, there was a discussion on "ways and means." In response to the question often asked about card parties as a means of raising money for Alliance work, members were reminded of the vote passed by the Executive Board of The Alliance of Unitarian Women, November 13, 1914, as follows: It is the sense of this meeting that each branch must determine for itself the question of raising money from card parties, while it is always to be remembered that in May, 1907, the general body (in annual meeting assembled) voted as follows: *Resolved* that the National Alliance does not approve the playing of whist for prizes, as it is a violation of civil law and not in the interest of good morals.

Eugene, Ore., asks for copies of The Carol by Dr. C. W. Wendte for its Sunday-school. Will any one who can supply this need write to Miss J. D. Gilkison, 1653 Fairmount Boulevard?

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S SUNDAY, JANUARY 22, 1922

He who writes these days of the Unitarian young people, if he speaks truth, tells of progress of which Young People's Sunday is an example. In 1918 a member of the Executive Board first suggested the observance. The idea met with little enthusiasm; a large majority of our ministers neither acknowledged the letters nor kept the day; the financial offering was a nominal sum—thus our first Young People's Sunday, January 22, 1920, proved to be a great opportunity feebly used. A year later, some eighty churches observed the event, and contributed more than seven hundred dollars for the Young People's Religious Union.

Young People's Sunday finds its justification in this: that the young people need the church and the church must have the young people. Those young people who attend, and especially those who conduct the service, accomplish three significant things: they acknowledge, decisively and openly, their wish to be identified with the most universal public expression of religion; they begin to judge the church as it is; and to create in their own minds a conception of the more adequate church of the future. The Christian Church is the greatest known institution of humanity; its potency has depended upon its progress; its progress upon its hearty acceptance by the oncoming generations. That which many of us will witness on the fourth Sunday of January will be, not merely the standing in our Unitarian pulpits of certain young men and young women, reverently and loyally performing unaccustomed services, but a symbol of the power and progress of Christianity. Houghton Page.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S WEEK

Again we are planning Young People's Week, beginning on January 22, with Young People's Sunday, in all our Unitarian churches. On this Sunday many young people, in coöperation with the Membership Campaign, will take this opportunity to join the church.

During the week, in Greater Boston and vicinity, the young people are going to give the play "Nothing But the Truth." The week will end with a dance at Unity House.

The play and the dance take the place of the Bazaar given in former years for the Y. P. R. U. treasury.

Will You Co-operate in the Plans for Young People's Week and Reserve These Dates?

January 22.	Young People's Sunday in all Unitarian churches.
January 24.	Production of the play at First Parish House, Brookline.
January 25.	Production of the play at Harvard Street Unitarian Parish House, Cambridge.
January 26.	Production of the play at First Parish House, Medford.
January 27.	Production of the play at First Parish House, Dorchester.
January 28.	Dance at Unity House, Boston.

The play will also be given at Worcester to the new Worcester Federation early in February.

On payment of travelling expenses, the cast will gladly make arrangements for additional performances, between February 12 and 24, 1922.

Groups at various centers throughout the country are being urged to present either the same play or some other during the week, in order that the young people and their friends from coast to coast may do their part toward materially increasing the national treasury, to enable the Board to "carry on" in their constructive plans.

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